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REMARKS

Claims 1-34 were pending in this application.

Claims 1-34 have been rejected.

Claims 1, 26-28, 31 and 34 have been amended as shown above.

Claims 32 and 33 have been cancelled.

New claims 35 and 36 have been added.

Claims 1-31 and 34-36 remain pending in this application.

Reconsideration and full allowance of Claims 1-31 and 34-36 are respectfully requested.

I. REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102

The Office Action rejects Claims 1-6, 8-10, 13, 14, 16-19, 22-24, 27, 29, and 34 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by European Patent Document EP 0952737A2 by Chen et al. ("Chen"). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

A prior art reference anticipates the claimed invention under 35 U.S.C. § 102 only if every element of a claimed invention is identically shown in that single reference, arranged as they are in the claims. (*MPEP* § 2131; *In re Bond*, 910 F.2d 831, 832, 15 U.S.P.Q.2d 1566, 1567 (Fed. Cir. 1990)). Anticipation is only shown where each and every limitation of the claimed invention is found in a single prior art reference. (*MPEP* § 2131; *In re Donohue*, 766 F.2d 531, 534, 226 U.S.P.Q. 619, 621 (Fed. Cir. 1985)).

The Applicants have amended independent Claims 1, 27 and 34 solely to clarify and more distinctly point out the Applicants' invention. Claim 31 has been amended to recited the limitations

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previously recited in Claims 32 and 33. New Claims 35 and 36 have been added. The Applicants respectfully submit that new Claims 35 and 36 are supported by the Applicants' original disclosure and no new matter has been added.

In rejecting independent Claim 1 (and, by reference independent Claim 34), the Examiner stated that:

Chen discloses a profile system (knowledge base) for identifying, selecting and retrieving information regarding targeted persons or information of interest to a user. ... The system is connected to an external source; it analyzes, receives and provides information selected specifically for the user (criteria). The content is retrieved according to a plurality of profile items including known relationships. According to criteria the system searches the content to identify a plurality of targeted information and a targeted person. *Office Action mailed August 3, 2005, Section 3.*¹

Thus, the Examiner asserted that the profile system of *Chen* discloses a knowledge base and the profile items within the profile system teach criteria for the retrieval of information.

In contrast, amended independent Claim 1 recites a system comprising a criteria, a knowledge base separate from the criteria, and a content analyzer processor that searches content according to the criteria and using the knowledge base. In analogous limitations, amended independent Claim 27 recites a method comprising the steps of receiving a request identifying a targeted person and, using a knowledge base, analyzing a video channel to spot the identified targeted person. Similarly, amended independent Claim 34 recites a system that receives a request and, using a knowledge base, analyzes data content to extract information relevant to the request.

¹ The Applicant notes that the Examiner provides no explanation for the rejection of independent Claim 27 in either Office Action regarding this application. The Applicant will respond on the presumption that Claim 27 was rejected for the same reasons as Claims 1 and 34. If the Applicant is incorrect in this presumption, the Examiner is respectfully requested to provide the actual reasons for the rejection of Claim 27 in a subsequent action.

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Thus, amended independent Claims 1, 27 and 34 recite a criteria or request separate from a knowledge base that is used to analyze content according to the criteria or request.

For these reasons, *Chen* fails to anticipate the Applicants' invention as recited in amended independent Claims 1, 27 and 34 (and their respective dependent claims). Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the § 102 rejection and full allowance of Claims 1-6, 8-10, 13, 14, 16-19, 22-24, 27, 29, and 34.

II. REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 103

The Office Action rejects Claims 7, 20, 21, 28, 30, and 31 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Chen* in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,594,629 to Basu et al. ("*Basu*"). The Office Action rejects Claim 11 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Chen* in view of U.S. Patent Application No. 2003/0014422 to Notargiacomo et al. ("*Notargiacomo*"). The Office Action rejects Claims 12 and 15 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Chen* in view of U.S. Patent Application No. 2003/0061610 to Errico ("*Errico*"). The Office Action rejects Claims 25 and 26 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Chen* in view of U.S. Patent Application No. 2002/0151992 to Hoffberg et al. ("*Hoffberg*"). The Office Action rejects Claim 32 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Chen*, *Basu*, and *Notargiacomo*. The Office Action rejects Claim 33 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Chen*, *Basu*, and *Errico*. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

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Claim 26 has been amended solely to correct an ambiguity identified in a telephone conference with the Examiner. Claim 28 has been amended solely to maintain proper antecedent support with amended independent Claim 27.

Claims 7, 11, 12, 15, 20, 21, 25, and 26 depend from Claim 1. Claims 28, 30 and 31 depend from Claim 27. As described above in Section III, Claims 1 and 27 are patentable. As a result, Claims 7, 11, 12, 15, 20, 21, 25, 26, 28, 30 and 31 are patentable due to their dependence from allowable base claims. The cancellation of Claims 32 and 33 renders their rejection moot.

Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the § 103 rejections and full allowance of Claims 7, 11, 12, 15, 20, 21, 25, 26, 28, 30 and 31.

III. CONCLUSION

As a result of the foregoing, the Applicants assert that all pending claims in this application are in condition for allowance and respectfully request full allowance of the claims.

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SUMMARY


If any issues arise, or if the Examiner has any suggestions for expediting allowance of this application, the Applicants respectfully invite the Examiner to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below or at wmunck@davismunck.com.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees connected with this communication (including any extension of time fees) or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0208.

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